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When Sin Traps You



A few years ago, we had a garden in the back yard that served as some little critter's personal buffet. He couldn't just take one whole tomato or ear of corn or some other vegetable or fruit for himself and leave the rest alone. No, he had to take a bite out of everything. In frustration, we went down and got a trap and left it in the garden. We discovered that it was partners in crime had done the deed. Over the next couple days, we caught both a groundhog and a possum. The traps were humane traps that were impossible for them to get out of. There was no hope. Once they went into the trap and the door closed, they were stuck. Their only hope was

for someone to free them. We took them across the river away from town and freed them there. Stacey wanted to make sure it was at a place where they could live comfortably.

This is how it is with sin. Once we sin, there is no way humanly possible to escape it. It is like a trap. Once it has you, you are trapped. Notice what Jesus said.

"Jesus answered them, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin' " (Jn 8:34).

Sin is like a trap. Once it has you, you become a sinner and there is nothing you can do about it. You cannot "un-sin." You become tainted, trapped, enslaved. It simply is not humanly possible yourself from slavery to sin. However, it is divinely possible for you to be freed from sin. Notice what Jesus also says,

"So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed" (Jn 8:36).

The only way to be free indeed, or truly free, is for Jesus himself to free you. Jesus died on the cross for your sins offering forgiveness (Eph 1:7). In dying on the cross, he opened the door so that you can escape and be free from sin.

How do you go through the open door to be free? Keeping in mind that Jesus is the door (Jn 10:9), here is what we do. We accept and confess our faith in Jesus as our risen Lord (Rom 10:9), and we repent and are baptized for forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38). When we are baptized into the water, we are baptized into the death of Christ and have been raised with him to walk in newness of life (Rom 6:3-5). The Bible says that when this happens, "our old self was crucified with Him in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin" (Rom 6:6).

So, when we submit ourselves to Christ as our Lord and master, we go through the door he opened for us at the cross. We become free from sin and now belong to him.

"But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, resulting in sanctification, and the outcome, eternal life" (Rom 6:22).

John Telgren
Leavenworth, KS



For our national leaders and world leaders as they lead their respective nations.

For our troops in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Korea, Iraq, Liberia, Haiti and other places.

For the “people in the box”-- the lost in our families and community.

For those who are being martyred and persecuted for Christ in our own time.

For marriage to stand in our laws as God ordained it.

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chhetri and Ashok Basfor.

For the churches in Honduras and Haiti who partner with us in the gospel.

Jim Young (Terri Young's husband) has stabilized for now.

Peggy Hollback recuperating at home from transplant.

Margaret Ann Reed recuperating from a shoulder surgery.

Garnet Lindeman stable for now. Living at Nancy's house.

Alan Graff home following some heart problems last week. Starting chemo in September.

Henry Mason now at home, current treatments taking a toll on him.

Praise Report: Eric Meredith does not have cancer in his eye and there is a treatment to help him get back some of his vision. Praise the Lord!

Tonya Coriell recuperating at home from a broken foot/ankle.

Jim Book (uncle to Rich) in ICU on a ventilator.

Paul Miller (Donnie Miller's brother in North Carolina) readmitted to hospital with fluid build up around his heart.

Mitch LaPrade (friend of Meaghan Miller) having more trouble with internal bleeding.

Gina Henry (mother of Dusty Henry) recuperating from a stroke.

David Bradshaw had tests this week on his heart in preparation for a knee surgery.

Thanks to the Elders

Thanks to the elders for visiting Jim and making him feel part of the church. He was anointed. God is Good. We are blessed. — Terri and Jim Young.

EVENTS AT SUNSHINE



9/2	First Sunday Breakfast
9/9	Deacon's Meeting
9/12	Ladies Day at Elm Grove
9/16	Third Sunday PM Fellowship
9/19	Ladies Day at Rio Grande
9/26	Acappella Concert in Waverly
9/25-26	Men's Retreat at Roundlake
10/4-25	Sunday PM Home Groups
10/23-24	Men's Retreat at Fort Hill

Sympathy Extended

- To the family of **Stephanie Like-Childers** who passed 8/16. There is a memorial service at Swick-Bussa-Chamberlain in Wheelersburg on Wednesday at 7 pm with a time to visit her family from 4-7 at the funeral home.
- To the family of **Dewey Cordle Sr.** (father to Dewey Cordle Jr. and Tracey Cordle). Dewey passed at SOMC on Friday evening in emergency surgery to repair an aneurysm. Arrangements are at Erwin Dodson Allen Funeral Home. Visitation is Monday evening from 6-8. The service is on Tuesday at 1 pm at the funeral home with one hour of visitation prior. No funeral dinner at the building after the burial is planned, but food can be delivered to Dewey or Tracey's house.

Acappella Concert Tickets

All former members of the Ekn Grove/Piketon Youth group are having a reunion at the Pike County Fairgrounds September 25-27. Of course, others are certainly welcome. Several guest speakers are slated to speak and on Saturday afternoon, at 1 pm, Acappella will be giving a concert at Waverly High School as part of the reunion. Details are posted throughout our building. **Tickets to the Acappella concert are available from Spike and Jean Ferrell or Jason and Tammy Foster.**

Dishes Waiting

In the kitchen area of the annex there are several dishes waiting to be reunited with their owner. Stop by and take your dishes home.

Help with Concert Needed

Several people are needed to help move staging and speaker equipment on Friday, September 25, at the Waverly High School to get set up for the Acappella Concert. Please see Jason Foster right away if you are willing and able to help.

Fair Winners Deadline

If your son or daughter won an award or some kind of recognition at the Fair (Scioto, Jackson, Adams, Pike or State) please give us the information on the pads placed on the table in the foyer. We have separate pads for each county. We need a name and the award. We'll publish the full list one week from today. That means that Wednesday is the deadline to get the information recorded on the pad. Congratulations to all of our young people who took 4-H projects to the fair.

Singing Tonight

This evening at 6 pm all are invited to come and enjoy a time of singing before our evening Bible study. See Nick Davis for details.

Men's Retreat at Fort Hill

Friday, October 23 and Saturday, October 24, the Sunshine men are having a retreat at Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp. We have a special guest speaker this year: Ben Merold. He'll be talking to us about church growth and the situation at Sunshine. Ben has served as a minister for 60 plus years, serving about 5 different congregations. The last two congregations he served with started with 350 and 175 respectively and both reached an attendance of 3000. Ben will be making a couple presentations to us and will be available for a question-answer period. Sunday, October 26, Ben will be speaking at our Sunday morning assembly. We are looking forward to a great weekend for Sunshine. In the weeks to come we will be publishing the particulars of cost and deadlines, etc. Our goal: every male Christian at Sunshine present at Fort Hill for this weekend.

Ladies Day at Rio Grande

Saturday, September 19,, Lucy Mitchell will be the guest speaker on the theme: Fully Rely on God. The ladies of the Rio Grande church invite all ladies everywhere to attend. Details posted.



Faith IS NOT KNOWING
WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS,
BUT KNOWING
who holds the future.

Ladies Day at Elm Grove Church

Saturday, September 12, the ladies at Elm Grove church are inviting all ladies everywhere to be a part of their special day. Renee Brown from the Pickerington church will be speaking on the topic "In Paths of Righteousness." Lots of good food provided. RSVP requested. See the flyer on the bulletin board.

Round Lake Men's Retreat

September 25 and 26 Christian men from all over Ohio are invited to Round Lake Christian Youth Camp in Lakeville, Ohio, for a weekend of great speakers, golf and wonderful food. Cost is \$56/person. Details are posted. See Jamie Riley for details.

Sunday PM Home Groups Coming

Just so you know, the Home Groups are scheduled for October 4-25, 4 Sundays. We will be using some material by Andy Stanley on the theme: The Best Question Ever. Our first need is to get our host homes lined up. Take a good look at your calendar and see if you might be able to host those 4 evenings. If you can't do it by yourself, maybe we can find a co-host who can make their home available when you are unable.

Adoption Fundraiser/Yard Sale

Friday, September 4 from 3-7 and Saturday, September 5 from 8 to ??? on the premises of the Minford Community Church on Lucasville-Minford Road. Clothes, furniture books, etc. from multiple families have been donated to help raise funds to bring Ira and Marybeth's little girl home from China. Homemade baked goods will be on sale on Saturday as well as delicious BBQ sandwiches. If you wish to donate baked goods or yard sale items contact Marybeth (820-3515) or Ellen Devins (285-1243).

Sweet Monday Kick-Off

August 31 at 7 p.m. Mark your calendar and watch the bulletin for more information!!! Hope to see all of our ladies there!

Those Who Serve

Sun. Morning	8/23/2015	8/30/2015
Welcome	Don Coriell	Jon Coriell
Reading	Mark Risner	Joel Shepherd
Midservice Prayer	Mark Gampp	Rich Book
Communion	Gary Glispie	Alan Graff
Sermon	Jamie Riley	Steve Miller
Closing Prayer	Jacob Book	David Bradshaw
Sun. Evening	8/23/2015	8/30/2015
Song Leader	David Deacon	Spike Ferrell
Reading	Caleb Miller	Johnny Beekman
Communion	Don Ramey	Dale Kuhn
Assist	Tyler Meredith	Ed McLaughlin
Prayer	Price Gammon	Sam Williams
Wed. Evening	8/26/2015	9/2/2015
Song Leader	Greg Shepherd	Jamie Riley
Prayer	Johnny Beekman	Derek Miller

Regular Service Times

Sunday

Worship - 10:00 am
Bible Study - 6:30 p.m

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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A verse from Nahum 1 has been scrambled vertically. Drop the letters from the top columns into their correct positions in the grid below to reveal the scripture. One letter in each column has been done for you. The solution to the puzzle is on page 3.

